

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER PREPARATION**

Tuesday, November 8, 2005

4:51 P.M.

Room 326, House Office Building

Chairman Wenke called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Wenke, Emmons, Palmer, Ward, Byrnes. (5/7)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Lipsey, Kehrl. (2/7)

Representative Emmons moved to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2005 meeting.

Representative Palmer supported the motion. Without objections, the minutes were approved.

Representative Ward moved to excuse absent members. **Representative Palmer** supported the motion. No objections being made, absent members were excused.

Chairman Wenke laid **HB 4074** and **HB 5314** before the committee.

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| HB 4074 Caswell | Retirement; public school employees; definition of eligible employees; expand to include administrators or faculty employed at a community college on a part-time basis. |
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| HB 5314 Wenke | Retirement; college employees; removal from school retirement system; provide for. |
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Jerry Jernigan, representing Washtenaw Community College, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5314**.

Chuck Agerstrand, representing the Michigan Education Association, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5314**.

Todd Tennis, representing the Michigan American Federation of School Administrators, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5314**.

Chris DeRose, representing the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, Office of Retirement Services, turned in a testimony card in opposition to **HB 4074** and **HB 5314** but did not wish to speak.

Sandi Lewis, representing Lansing Community College, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5314** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Emmons moved to report **HB 4074** with recommendation. **Representative Palmer** supported the motion.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Wenke, Emmons, Palmer, Ward, Byrnes. (5/7)

NAYS: None. (0/7)

PASS: None. (0/7)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Palmer moved to adopt the **(H-1)** substitute to **HB 5314**. **Representative Ward** supported the motion.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Wenke, Emmons, Palmer, Ward, Byrnes. (5/7)

NAYS: None. (0/7)

PASS: None. (0/7)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Palmer moved to report **HB 5314** as an **(H-1)** with recommendation. **Representative Emmons** supported the motion.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Wenke, Emmons, Palmer, Ward. (4/7)

NAYS: None. (0/7)

PASS: Rep. Byrnes. (1/7)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Chairman Wenke laid **HB 5282** before the committee.

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| HB 5282 | Wenke | Education; students; career and technical preparation act; eliminate sunset. |
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Tom Martin, representing the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5282** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Palmer moved to report **HB 5282** with recommendation. **Representative Emmons** supported the motion.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Wenke, Emmons, Palmer, Ward, Byrnes. (5/7)

NAYS: None. (0/7)

PASS: None. (0/7)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Chairman Wenke laid **5232** before the committee.

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| HB 5232 | Caswell | Higher education; financial aid; return of unused Michigan merit award money to treasury; require if student leaves school. |
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Peggy Johnson, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5232** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Emmons moved to report **HB 5232** with recommendation. **Representative Ward** supported the motion.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Wenke, Emmons, Palmer, Ward, Byrnes. (5/7)

NAYS: None. (0/7)

PASS: None. (0/7)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **5:25 p.m.**

Representative Lorence Wenke, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0070